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ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. CONFIRMATION NO. **FILING DATE** FIRST NAMED INVENTOR APPLICATION NO. Alexander William Oxford 56476 (71661) 1009 09/26/2001 09/964,260 21874 7590 08/20/2003 **EDWARDS & ANGELL, LLP EXAMINER** P.O. BOX 9169 TRUONG, TAMTHOM NGO BOSTON, MA 02209 **ART UNIT** PAPER NUMBER 1624

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

-		Application No.		Applicant(s)	
Office Action Summary		09/964,260		OXFORD ET AL.	
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The MAILING DATE of this c mmunication appears on the c ver sheet with the correspondence address Period for Reply					
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.  - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.  - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.  - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.  - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).  - Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).  Status					
1)	Responsive to communication(s) filed on				
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closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. <b>Disposition of Claims</b>					
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-25, 27-36, 38-41, 43-45, 47,and 48</u> is/are pending in the application.					
4a) Of the above claim(s) <u>16-25,32-36,38-41,43-45,47 and 48</u> is/are withdrawn from consideration.					
	Claim(s) 1-15, and 27-30 is/are allowed.				
6)	Claim(s) is/are rejected.				
7)🖂	Claim(s) 31 is/are objected to.				
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.					
Application Papers					
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.					
10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.					
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).					
11) The proposed drawing correction filed on is: a) approved b) disapproved by the Examiner.					
If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.					
12) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.					
Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120					
13) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).					
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☒ None of:					
•	1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.				
	2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No.				
	3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.				
14) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).					
a) The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.  15) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.					
Attachment(s)					
2) 🔲 Notice	of References Cited (PTO-892) of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) oation Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s)	4) 5) 6)		(PTO-413) Paper No(s atent Application (PTO	·

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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. Applicant's election of Group I in Paper No. 9 is acknowledged. Because applicant did not distinctly and specifically point out the supposed errors in the restriction requirement, the election has been treated as an election without traverse (MPEP § 818.03(a)).

With claim 49 cancelled, claims 1-15, and 27-31 are pending.

# Claim Objections

2. Claim 31 is objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper form because a multiple dependent claim should refer to other claims in the alternative only. See MPEP § 608.01(n). Accordingly, the claim 31 has not been further treated on the merits.

Note, claim 31 refers to two different sets of claims – one for composition, and one for compounds. Therefore, even though it has alternative language, it is still an improper multiple dependent claim.

# **Priority**

3. Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority based on two applications filed in United Kingdom (UK) on 3-31-99 and 4-28-99. It is noted, however, that applicant has not filed a certified copy of the UK applications as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b).

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## Information Disclosure Statement

4. The listing of references in the specification is not a proper information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.98(b) requires a list of all patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office, and MPEP § 609 A(1) states, "the list may not be incorporated into the specification but must be submitted in a separate paper." Therefore, unless the references have been cited by the examiner on form PTO-892, they have not been considered.

## Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-15, and 27-30 are allowed. A search in the pertinent art area yields references of **Rupp et. al.** (5,141,936), **Kaiser et. al.** (US 4,581,172), **Lal et. al.** (US 4,400,506). Said references teach compounds of pyrimido[6,1-a]isoquinolin-4-one. However, the disclosed compounds do not have a side chain equivalent to –(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-NH-(C=Y)-NR<sup>10</sup>R<sup>11</sup> in the claimed formula I.

Applicant is requested to cancel non-elected claims in response to this office action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tamthom N. Truong whose telephone number is 703-305-4485. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (9:30-5:00) & every Saturday morning (starting from 4-7-03).

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mukund Shah can be reached on 703-308-4716. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-308-4556 for regular communications and 703-308-4556 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1235.

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August 15, 2003